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SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A FOLLOW-UP ANALYSIS TO SUNRISE ANALYSIS: CHECK CASHING AND DEFERRED DEPOSIT AGREEMENTS (PAYDAY LOANS), REPORT NO. 05-11.

WHEREAS, the Auditor issued Sunrise Analysis: Check Cashing and Deferred Deposit Agreements (Payday Loans), Report No. 05-11 in December 2005; and

WHEREAS, in Report No. 05-11, the Auditor recommended several legislative changes, including instituting a mandatory registration program for all payday lenders with the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the recommendations in Report No. 05-11 have not yet been adopted by the Legislature; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2015, that the Auditor is requested to conduct a follow-up analysis to Sunrise Analysis: Check Cashing and Deferred Deposit Agreements (Payday Loans), Report No. 05-11; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to:

(1) Compare regulation of payday loans under chapter 480F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, with regulations in other states;

 (2) Analyze the economic impact on consumers and payday loan providers of the regulations in other jurisdictions that have imposed a cap on fees equal to an annual percentage rate of thirty-six percent; and

(3) Analyze the availability and cost of alternative credit products to payday loans; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the

Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2016; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor and the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

OFFERED BY: